

Fact Sheet: Nancy Lake SRA Public Use Cabins



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The Department of Natural Resources' Division of Parks has thirteen public use cabins for rent within the Nancy Lake State Recreation Area. Access to the recreation area is at Mile 67.3 on the Parks Highway, just south of Willow. The cabins are located on five of the larger lakes in the recreation area, and are accessible by canoe or on foot in summer, and on skis or by snow vehicles in winter. Parking for cabin renters is available at three trailheads located along the Nancy Lake Parkway, a 6.5 mile gravel road.

How do I get to the cabins on Nancy Lake from the trailhead? The cabins on Nancy Lake are 1/4 to 1/2 mile walk from the trailhead, or campers may take a boat from the put-in area. For canoeists there is a small parking area and hand launch on Nancy Lake at mile 1.6 of the parkway and at the Nancy Lake campground, mile 66.5 of the Parks Highway.

Red Shirt Lake campers have a three-mile walk, and a 1/8 to 3/4 mile canoe ride, which takes a total of about three hours. Two of the Red Shirt cabins are on islands.

Lynx Lake and James Lake cabins are reached by a canoe trail that takes approximately four hours.

Bald Lake cabin is a 1/4-mile hike from a small parking area at Mile 2.5 on the Nancy Lake Parkway.

Canoes can be rented from Tippecanoe Rentals in Willow. Phone is 495-6688. Nancy Lake Marina, mile 64.3, Parks Highway, also rents canoes and small boats for use on Nancy Lake.

What is the cost to rent cabins? Nancy Lake, Red Shirt Lake, & James Lake are \$45 Peak/\$30 Non-Peak. Lynx Lake cabins are \$35 Peak/\$25 Non-Peak and the Bald Lake is \$60 Peak/\$45 Non-Peak per night.

After I make reservations, may I add more people? Yes. You may add people to your existing reservation prior to the date of the reservation, as long as you do not exceed the maximum capacity allowed for your cabin.

How long may I rent a cabin? Nancy Lake, Bald Lake, Redshirt Lake, Lynx Lake, and James Lake cabins may be rented for five consecutive nights.

How many people may stay in one cabin? Maximum capacity varies from cabin-to-cabin, ranging from four to eight people. Cabins vary from the small Lynx Lake cabins (12' x 12') to Nancy Lake #4 (24' x 24').

May I exceed maximum capacity if the extra people camp in a tent outside the cabin? No. Tent camping is not allowed within 1/4 mile of cabins.

Where may I make cabin reservations?

Reservations can be made on line at www.alaskastateparks.org, in person at our Public Information Center offices located in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau or at the nearest State Park office. Alaska residents can make reservations 7 months to the day in advance of the first night stay and non-residents 6 months to the day in advance, Monday through Friday beginning at 10:00 a.m. Alaska time.

Advance reservations cannot be made on weekends or State holidays, but can be made the next business day. All other cabin reservations can be made 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Reservation requests can also be mailed or faxed. Credit cards (MasterCard or Visa) are accepted for payment when making reservations on line, mailing or faxing reservation requests or when paying in person at our Anchorage or Fairbanks offices. Reservations are not accepted over the phone. There is a \$10 service charge for changes or cancellations, which must be made 7 days in advance of the first night. A cabin credit less the \$10 service charge will be issued for reservations that are cancelled. A cabin credit is valid for one year from date of issue.

To make changes in reservations or cancel, please bring your copy of the reservation to the nearest State Park Office that makes reservations, the Department of Natural Resources Public Information Center, or contact the Nancy Lake State Park Ranger.

If I am not able to use the cabin I reserved, will I get my money back? No. Cabin fees are not refundable, however, you may receive a one time cabin credit that is good for one year from date of issue if your reservation is canceled seven days or more in advance. To receive a cabin credit you must present your original reservation to a State Park office, in person or by mail, as long as it reaches the office seven days in advance.

After I reserve a cabin, may I change the date? Dates or cabins may be changed one time only, subject to cabin availability seven days or more in advance. There is a \$10.00 service charge for changes or cancellations.

What time is check-in & check-out? Cabin reservations are from noon to noon.

What facilities will there be at the cabins? The cabins are rustic, with table and chairs, wooden sleeping platforms, a kitchen counter, and a stove for heating purposes only. There is no electricity or running water. Each cabin has an outhouse nearby. Each cabin also has mop, broom and bucket. Some cabins have an outdoor fire pit. Dead or down wood may be collected. Please note that firewood is **not** provided.

What are my responsibilities? You are responsible for cleaning up after yourself. Please pack out what you pack in. Trash attracts animals and insects. Pets must be under control at all times and you are responsible for cleaning up your pet's waste.

For more information about the Nancy Lake State Recreation Area cabins, please call or write to:

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